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To: ADDC Membership

We have officially closed the door on the first half of the year! The Public Relations committee wrapped up the nominations for the DSA and SSA and I am excited to see who the recipients will be this year! The Nominating committee finished their search for our 2024 Association officers and the Regional Directors have emailed all club presidents with the slate of candidates for next year. Remember, nominations can come from the floor during our business session. The Rules committee sent out their letter, Rules of Convention, and a motion form to club presidents to disperse to the membership. These items can also be found on the website.

Everyone should have received the registration packet for the 2023 ADDC International Convention and Educational Conference in Albuquerque, New Mexico. Registration packets can also be found on the ADDC website, www.addc.org (News & Publications/"ADDc News") and also can be found under the "Convention" link. Do NOT wait to send your registration in because the field trips have a limited number and you do not want to miss out on the field trip you want to participate in.

Registration Fee: \$250.00 for members (by August 28, 2023)

Late Registration Fee: \$275.00 for members (after August 28, 2023)

Hotel Reservations: 505-796-7500 or via the website:

<https://gettaroom.b4checkin.com/sandia/RLP/DESKANDDERRICKCLUBS>

Reservation Code: 9890 or mention ADDC

(All rooms are \$194.00 + tax for single, double, triple, or quad. Please make your reservations as soon as possible. The deadline for reservations is August 31, 2023.)

This past month the ADDC Board approved items in our monthly board meeting I would like to share with you:

- In order to streamline the financial reporting the ADDC Treasurer and the ADO perform each month, instead of two companies (Operations and Convention), the financial reporting will be one company (ADDc) with four separate accounts (Operations Checking, Operations Money Market, Convention Checking, and Convention Money Market).
- The Board also approved the addition of a "Donate" button on the main page of the ADDC website. This will allow supporters to donate online and can choose who they want to donate to, whether it is a regional meeting or convention.

- Another item of business is allowing Convention registration and payment to be online via the main page of our website to members and guests. ***I will note, it will take a little time to get the online donations and Convention registrations set up on the website. I will let you know when we are up and running!***
- We also passed a motion to upload educational and training videos from outside sources. You will be able to login to the website and click on links to the videos. If you find a video you would like to share, please send the link to me.
- There is one more item the Board approved this past month. ADDC will start issuing membership ID numbers and cards again, this was stopped in 2019 due to the database being corrupted. You will be getting a new membership ID number. It has also been a few years since we had an ADDC membership handbook. I am currently working on updating this and hope to have it finished the first week of August. It will be uploaded onto the website for clubs to print off and give to new members.

I hope everyone will be able to make good use of the ADDC Business Card template that was recently sent out and can be found on the website. How did you like getting a direct email from the ADDC President? It was our first try at sending out a mass email to the membership. There will be more to come in the near future! If you did not get my email, please go to our website and update your contact information.

There are a few more items the Board would like to accomplish this year so we are working towards those goals. Please know the Board is listening to you, the membership. I have always said, everyone has a voice and everyone has a vote. I urge you to continue contacting your regional director or an ADDC board member with ideas to improve our organization!

In closing, the 2022 financials are being reviewed and we are getting closer to sending these to membership. The first quarter of 2023 financials are complete and are waiting on 2022 financials to be closed out before they are sent to membership. The 2023 Financial Review Committee is currently working on reviewing the second quarter of the 2023 financials. Our current membership number is 596. My goal is 650, so it is a little short. It would be nice if we could get 54 new members/prior members to join ADDC. There is still time left in the year and I am not giving up!

“A leadership mindset involves having certain attitudes, beliefs and expectations that create the foundation of who you are, how you lead others and how you interact with and influence your colleagues. ~ Dame Leadership

Greater Knowledge ~ Greater Service

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